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VIA EMAIL AND FOIA-ONLINE

Freedom of Information Act Office  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Region 10  
1200 Sixth Ave, Suite 900  
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[r10.foia@epa.gov](mailto:r10.foia@epa.gov)

**RE: FOIA Request**  
**EPA Site Name: Flint Hills Resources' North Pole Refinery**  
**EPA ID: AKD000850701**

Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, I am requesting access to, or copies of, records in the possession, custody, or control of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency relating to EPA's Preliminary Assessment of the site that EPA refers to as Flint Hill Resources' North Pole Refinery, EPA ID AKD000850701.

Specifically, I am interested in obtaining a complete copy, or access to, all documents relating to the Preliminary Assessment that EPA completed at the site in August 2012, including the Preliminary Assessment report itself.

In the event that any requested documents are not disclosable in their entirety, we request that you release any material that can be reasonably segregated. Should documents within the scope of this request be withheld from disclosure, we request that you provide us with a "Vaughn index" that (1) identifies each and every document that is withheld, and (2) states with specificity the statutory exemption claimed for each document and an explanation of how disclosure of a particular document would damage the interest protected by a particular exemption.

We are willing to pay all reasonable costs incurred in locating and duplicating these materials. If the volume of documents you identify pursuant to this request is considerable and photocopying

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would prove to be unduly burdensome and costly, we would like to arrange to review the documents at your offices to identify and select specific records for duplication. Please let us know if this turns out to be the case.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. I look forward to your response within ten days after receipt of this request. Please contact me at (206) 359-3229 if you have any questions regarding this request, which will be submitted via email and through FOIA Online.

Sincerely,



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